# West Texas A&M University Your Guide to "Program Evaluation"

#### What is Program Evaluation?

The Program Evaluation allows a student to see their unofficial degree plan at any time and be sure that the courses they are taking will satisfy degree requirements for their major. It is intended to be an advising and planning tool and is not an official degree plan unless the Dean's Office has reviewed it for the student and applied their "signature stamp" and saved it as a pdf document. (Not all colleges are yet using this as their official degree plan.)

Currently, Program Evaluation is available for undergraduate degrees in the 2012-2013 and 2013-2014 catalogs.

## Where can I find Program Evaluation?

If you log into Buff Advisor, it can be found in the following places:

- <u>Students Menu</u> under Academic
  Profile listed as "Program
  Evaluation"
- Faculty Menu under Faculty Information listed under "Student Educational Planning". Enter the Student ID and under Action\* choose "EVAL"

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## How do I run the evaluation?

✤ <u>Students</u>

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		Program Evaluation
	You may select either an active program or a ""What if"" program.	Choose a major from the dropdown box you are considering
Click the circle if you	= Required	
want to run it against	Choose One Active Programs	but haven't yet declared.
what is on record as	BA.COMM.CORP Communication, BA degree, Corprorate Communication	
your current major. If		
this isn't your current	What if I changed my program of study?	<b>•</b>
major you need to	What work do you want to include?* A - All (includes planned) -	
complete a "Change of		
Major/Adviser" form	<b>-</b> 1 1.1 1.4	
with your adviser.	Then click submit 🗖	
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		Student educational planning
Enter the student s	s WT ID, SSN or name	
	* = Required	
	Student ID or Name	
	Action*	
		SUBMIT
	From the dropdown box, choose "EVAL	
	Evaluate Program"	Then click submit
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Г	Faculty then get the same page a student gets above.	
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		Program Evaluation
	You may select either an active program or a ""What if" program.	OR Choose a major from the
Click the circle if you		dropdown box that is being
want to run it against	= Required	considered.
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with the student.		
	Then click submit 💻	

#### **Reading the Program Evaluation**

The <u>header</u> will include information on the student, major program and catalog year. Currently, the Evaluation is only available for the 2012-2013 and 2013-2014 catalogues.

	West Texas A&M University Academic Evaluation Report Date: 01/27/14
Student:	
Program: Catalog: E-Mail Address:	Biology, BS degree (BS.BIOL) 2013

The evaluation is for advisement purposes. Some colleges are using it as the official degree plan once they have reviewed it for accuracy. If so, they will place a signature stamp on a pdf copy of the evaluation and from that point forward it is official and the student can follow it for required courses.

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The **Program Summary** gives a quick view of the requirements and

status of the program. The status will show (Complete) when all program requirements are met.

## Program Summary: (Pending (Anticipated complete))

	Required
Institutional Credits:	39.00
Institutional GPA:	2.750
Overall Credits:	120.00
Overall GPA:	2.750

Below the Program Summary are the individual requirements for the specific major. The University Core Curriculum is listed first followed by the Major Requirements and then Electives (if any). This example shows Core 50 complete using a "Transfer Equivalency" (TE)\* course from another college or university.

6: University Core	50 Vis/Perf Arts	(Complete)			
	1315, ARTS*1303, 130 with app roved transfe		\$I*1306, THRE*1	310 or Take	BOTH MUSI*1208 and
	om the following: 303 ARTS*1304 DANC <sup>4</sup>		IRE*1310:		$\mathbf{i}$
Course 1. ARTS*1303	<b>Title</b> ART HISTORY I	Needed	<b>Term</b> 2011FA	<b>Grade</b> A	Credits 3 Notes

\*A key to reading the "Notes" codes is printed at the bottom of the program evaluation. In this example, Core 11 is (Not Started). The student can choose 1 course from the 3 COMM courses listed OR they could take a transfer course at another school that is marked CORE 11 or is the exact equivalent to one of the 3 COMM courses. (See the Admissions Office for questions on approved transfer courses, OM 126, 806-651-2020.)

2: University Cor	e 11 Communi	ication (Not started)				
Take 1 course/May b	e satisfied by appr	oved transfer course.				
Credits Earned: 0						
Take COMM*13	15 or COMM*1	318 or COMM*1321: (	Not started	)		
Course 1.	Title	Needed 1 course	Term	Grade	Credits	Notes
Take approved	transfer cours	e: (Not started)				
1.		1 course				

Some majors will require that a specific course is taken to fulfill both the Core and a major requirement. In that instance, a "placeholder" requirement is inserted that will show complete BUT the actual course and requirement will be listed down under the major area.

Here a student is a Biology Major and for the Core 30 Science requirement, specific BIOL classes are required. The first block shows the Core 30 listing and then below it is where the requirement is specifically listed in the Major area.

4: University Core	30 Natural Sci - See	e Major Listin	g (Complete)			
Take 2 courses specif cour se is taken.	ically required for major as	listed below. Nati	ural Science requ	irement for	major not com	plete until listed
11: BS/BA.BIOL m	ajor/50 credits <mark>(In p</mark>	rogress)				
Credits Earned: 19	GPA Achieved/Neede	ed: 2.857 / 2.000	Co	mplete boti	h subrequireme	ents:
A: University Co	re (Pending complet	tion of unfinis	shed activity)			
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TAKE 2 GROUPS FO Credits Earned: 11 Core 20 - TAKE I Course 1. MATH*1314 Core 30 - TAKE I	R UNIVERSITY CORE; MATH*1314 OR MATH Title COLLEGE ALGEBRA BIOL*1406 BIOL*140	H*1324: (Con Needed	<b>1plete)</b> Term 2013FA	<b>Grade</b> A	3	
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There are 3 options often seen on a program evaluation:

• Take all courses in a list of courses –

	E COMM*131 M*4301:	8 COMM*2376 CON	MM*3315 COMM*	3341
	Course	Title	Needed	Ter
1.	COMM*1318	INTERPERSONL COMMU I	1 course needed	
2.	COMM*2376	COMMUNICATION THEORY	1 course needed	
3.	COMM*3315	RESEARCH METHODS	1 course needed	
4.	COMM*3341	PERSUASION	1 course needed	
5.	COMM*4301	INTR RHETORICAL CRIT	1 course needed	

• Take a certain number of courses from a listing -

#### Take 1 course from the following: (Complete)

ENGL\*2321 ENGL\*2326 ENGL\*2331 ENGL\*2341 ENGL\*2343 HIST\*2311 HIST\*2323 HIST\*2372 MCOM\*1307 PHIL\*1301 PHIL\*2374 SPAN\*2312 SPAN\*2315 or a second year/second semester course in another foreign language

• Take a certain number of credits (or hours) in a subject or from a listing of courses -

TAK	E 24 ADVAN	NCED CREDITS	S FROM BIOL BIOT CH	EM (Not	started)
ENVE	R GEOL GESC	MATH PHYS:			
	Course	Title	Needed	Term	Grade
1.			24 credits needed		

Sometimes a Dean will approve a substitution or exception allowing a student to use another course they have taken in place of one of the required courses. In that instance, the substitution is identified with that course requirement block.

Take the followi	ng courses: (Pending co	mpletion of unfinished ac	tivity)
II Exception Subsituti Henderson, Dean of		) & EDEL*4373 for EDEL*4391 app	proved by Dr. Eddie
Credits Earned: 18			
1. EPSY*3350	CHILDREN/SPEC NEEDS	84/04 A	0 *TE
2. EDPD*4388	ESL TEACHING METHODS	2014SP	3 *IP
2 EDDD*4240		201400	2 *10

All undergraduate degrees at West Texas A&M University require that a student complete 39 advanced hours in residence. To track this, a block or placeholder is included in the program evaluation which "counts" these hours. These courses are counted to meet requirements in the sections above if they were degree requirements.

13: Advanced.39	hr.residence (N	lot started)				
To monitor advanced	d credit residence re	quirement for BIOL:				
Institutional Credits	Earned/Anticipated	/Reqd: 0.00 / 0.00 / 39.00				
Take 39 Advanced C	credits from: BIOL C	HEM BIOT ENVR GEOL M	IATH PHYS			
Course	Title	Needed	Term	Grade	Credits	Notes
1.		39 credits neede	d			

Below the residence credit block is a listing of "Other Courses" that have been taken but do not satisfy any of the requirements for the program being evaluated.

Co	ourse	Title	Term	Grade	Registered Credits	Earned Credits	Notes
1. EN	IGL*2000.40	ENGLISH ELECTIVE	2009FA	В	3.00	3.00	*TE
2. M/	ATH*1316.20	PLANE TRIGONOMETRY	2009FA	Α	3.00	3.00	*TE
3. M/	ATH*2412.20	PRECALCULUS MATH	2009FA	Α	4.00	4.00	*TE
4. BI	OL*1408L	BIOL NON-SCI LAB I	2011FA		0.00	0.00	
5. PS	SES*1301L	PRIN/HORTICULTUR LAB	2013SP		0.00	0.00	
6. LE	AD*4102	SR LDSHP CAPSTONE	2014SP		1.00	(1.00)	*IP
7. EC	DEL*4372	INT ELA/SS METHODS	2014SP		3.00	(3.00)	*IP
3. EC	DEL*4373	INT MATH/SCI METHODS	2014SP		3.00	(3.00)	*IP

At the very bottom of the evaluation is a "Notes" Key which will provide a description of each "Notes" code used on this evaluation. The "Notes" Key is created for each individual evaluation based upon the codes used.



Questions about how credit has been applied to your Program Evaluation should be directed to the appropriate academic Dean's Office.

College of Agriculture, Science & Engineering, ANS 106, 806-651-2585 College of Business, CC 216, 806-651-2530 College of Education & Social Sciences, OM 410, 806-651-2600 College of Fine Arts & Humanities, MMNH 161, 806-651-2777 College of Nursing & Health Sciences, OM 402, 806-651-3500